

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising at least 24 contiguous bases of nucleotide sequence first disclosed in the NHP sequence described in SEQ ID NO: 3.

2. An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence that:

(a) encodes the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 4; and

(b) hybridizes under stringent conditions to the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 3 or the complement thereof.

3. An isolated nucleic acid molecule according to Claim 1 wherein said nucleotide sequence is present in cDNA.

4. An isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding the amino acid sequence presented in SEQ ID NO:2.

5. An isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding the amino acid sequence presented in SEQ ID NO:6.